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Embark on the ultimate 13-day South America adventure that's sure to be the trip of a lifetime. Delve into destinations with breathtaking natural wonders, UNESCO-listed cultural treasures and welcoming local communities.

Your journey kicks off in the bustling metropolis of Lima, Peru, where you'll join a guided city tour. See Huaca Pucllana, the beautiful Plaza de Armas, the private Larco Museum and more before jetting off to Cusco. Here you'll enjoy a guided tour of Qorikancha temple, Cusco Cathedral, the imposing Inca fortress of Sacsayhuamán and more. Spend an evening in the majestic Sacred Valley before touring the Pisac archaeological site. Board the PeruRail Expedition train bound for Aguas Calientes, home to thermal baths and vibrant markets. For those wanting to experience the Inca Trail, partake in an optional tour of the express Inca Trail trek (additional cost) to hike to the famed sites of Wiñay Wayna and Inti Punku.

Wake early to head to Machu Picchu where you'll witness a spectacular sunrise and uncover the mysteries of this ancient citadel on a guided tour. Afterwards, enjoy the bus ride to Puno in Southern Peru. Along the way, make stops at Andahuaylillas "The Sistine Chapel of South America",

Raqchi (Wiracocha God Temple) and more. Board a scenic boat to Taquile where you'll meet master weavers of this ancient Andean community, indulge in a buffet lunch at a local fisherman's house, photograph islands created entirely from buoyant totora reeds and more.

This package includes return international full-service flights, an internal flight, 10 nights of accommodation, 13 meals and more.

Want more? Choose Itinerary 2 for a Galapagos Islands extension. This 21-day adventure will take you to a popular marine reserve so you can see wildlife on San Cristobal Island and Charles Darwin Research Station.

Tour Only Package: Enjoy this package with the freedom of adding your own international arrival and departure flights.

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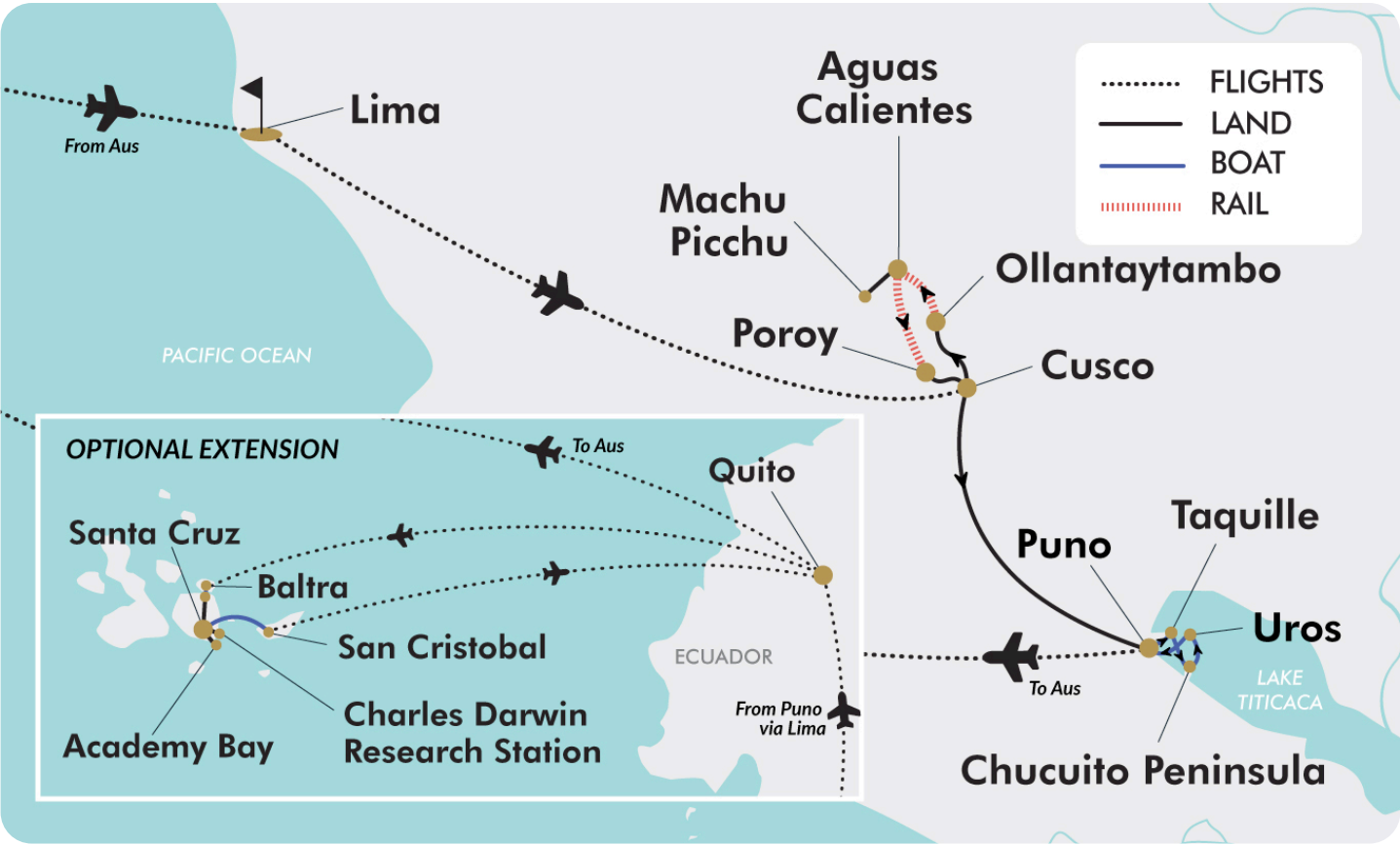
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Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

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Optional Activity: Express Inca Trail Trek

Duration: Full Day

Fitness Level Required: Active/Demanding (please read important information for further information)

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Overnight: Hatun Inti or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Aguas Calientes - Machu Picchu - Cusco

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Once you've finished your tour of Machu Picchu, you'll take the bus back down to Aguas Calientes where you can relax and have lunch (not included) before boarding the train back to Poroy and Cusco. Upon arrival at the station, a tour representative will be waiting for you to take you back to your hotel in Cusco.

Overnight: Royal Inka II or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Cusco Free Day

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Optional Tour: Folklore Show & Dinner

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Optional Tour: Rainbow Mountain Trek

Duration: Full Day

Fitness Level Required: Active/Demanding (please refer to important information section for description)

You'll depart from your hotel around 05:30 and stop in the community of Cusipata before continuing to the town of Chillihuani, passing through picturesque places like Tintinko, Rio Tigre and the Mountain of Surina in Llacto. You'll then arrive at the starting point of a one-and-a-half-hour walk to see the picturesque Rainbow Mountain. Enjoy panoramic views of the Red Valley, Nevado Ausangate and small lagoons just before reaching a spot to view the colourful mountain. Your guide will explain the science behind the mountain's colours while you enjoy a hot cup of tea and a small bite to eat. You'll then descend





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back to the trail's starting point before arriving back at your hotel in Cusco around 18:00. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Royal Inka II or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Cusco - Puno

Rise early for breakfast and transfer to the bus station to travel to Puno onboard a modern bus, stopping along the way at several interesting sites. These include the following:

- Andahuaylillas: "The Sistine Chapel of South America," one of the most beautiful examples of Andean popular religious art.
- Raqchi (Wiracocha God Temple): An Incan church of monumental dimensions.
- La Raya: The halfway point between Cusco and Puno where you'll enjoy a rest stop and delicious buffet lunch in the town of Sicuani.
- Pukara: The most important and oldest ceremonial centre of the Altiplano.

Upon arrival at the bus station in Puno around 17:00, you'll be met and transferred to the hotel where you can enjoy the evening at leisure after an approximately 10-hour journey.

Overnight: Royal Inka Inn Puno or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 10 Lake Titicaca, Taquile - Uros Islands

This morning at around 07:00, you'll depart for a boat ride to the island of Taquile, one of the most beautiful islands in Peru where Taquile's traditional way of life is still very much alive. You'll have the chance to meet some of the master weavers of this ancient Andean community whose textiles are considered among the best in the country. According to legend, the Incas themselves learned how to weave from the artisans of this island with the men being the weavers and the women spinning the yarn.

Afterwards, your boat journey continues to the Chucuito Peninsula in the Aymara region of Lake Titicaca, representing the communal identity of the Peruvian-Bolivian Altiplano. Here you will visit the small and rarely visited rural community of Luquina and enjoy a wonderful buffet lunch at the local fisherman's house.

You'll then head back towards Puno, stopping along the way to visit the amazing Islands of the Uros people. The islands have been created entirely from the buoyant totora reeds that grow abundantly in the shallows of the lake and are constantly replenished from the top as they rot from the bottom. You'll drop by the main island and enjoy a brief explanation of the history and lifestyle of the people who have lived here for many years, visit some of their homes to learn about their lifestyle and meet one of the local families to see how they live.

Overnight: Royal Inka Inn Puno or similar

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Day 11 Puno, Peru - Australia (or New Zealand)

After breakfast, you'll transfer to Juliaca Airport for the flight back to Australia (or New Zealand) via Lima.

Tour Only Package: Your adventure concludes at the end of the tour. Please make your own arrangements for your onward journey.

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 12 In Transit

Tour Only Package: Day 12 of this itinerary is not included.

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 13 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)

Once arrived in Australia (or New Zealand), make your own onward travel arrangements.

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After breakfast, enjoy a free day to explore Cusco at your leisure. Alternatively, you can choose to participate in an optional tour.

Optional Activity: Folklore Show & Dinner

In the central Plaza de Armas of Cusco, you can head to Tunupa restaurant to prepare for a fabulous buffet dinner of meat, fish, vegetables and desserts. The night becomes even more enjoyable when the traditional dance show begins! Get involved with folk, traditional and classical music played on Andean instruments such as Quena, charango, flute and zampoña. If you wish, you can also share the dance floor with the dancers! Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Optional Activity: Rainbow Mountain Trek

Duration: Full Day

Fitness Level Required: Active/Demanding (please refer to important information section for description)

You'll depart from your hotel around 05:30 and stop in the community of Cusipata before continuing to the town of Chillihuani, passing through picturesque places like Tintinko, Rio Tigre and the Mountain of Surina in Llacto. You'll then arrive at the starting point of a one-and-a-half-hour walk to see the picturesque Rainbow Mountain. Enjoy panoramic views of the Red Valley, Nevado Ausangate and small lagoons just before reaching a spot to view the colourful mountain. Your guide will explain the science behind the mountain's colours while you enjoy a hot cup of tea and a small bite to eat. You'll then descend



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back to the trail's starting point before arriving back at your hotel in Cusco around 18:00. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Royal Inka II or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Cusco - Puno

Rise early for breakfast and transfer to the bus station to travel to Puno onboard a modern bus, stopping along the way at several interesting sites. These include the following:

- Andahuaylillas: "The Sistine Chapel of South America," one of the most beautiful examples of Andean popular religious art.
- Raqchi (Wiracocha God Temple): An Incan church of monumental dimensions.
- La Raya: The halfway point between Cusco and Puno where you'll enjoy a rest stop and delicious buffet lunch in the town of Sicuani.
- Pukara: The most important and oldest ceremonial centre of the Altiplano.

Upon arrival at the bus station in Puno around 17:00, you'll be met and transferred to the hotel where you can enjoy the evening at leisure after an approximately 10-hour journey.

Overnight: Royal Inka Inn Puno or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Lake Titicaca, Taquile - Uros Islands

This morning at around 07:00, you'll depart for a boat ride to the island of Taquile, one of the most beautiful islands in Peru where Taquile's traditional way of life is still very much alive. You'll have the chance to meet some of the master weavers of this ancient Andean community whose textiles are considered among the best in the country. According to legend, the Incas themselves learned how to weave from the artisans of this island with the men being the weavers and the women spinning the yarn.

Afterwards, your boat journey continues to the Chucuito Peninsula in the Aymara region of Lake Titicaca, representing the communal identity of the Peruvian-Bolivian Altiplano. Here you will visit the small and rarely visited rural community of Luquina and enjoy a wonderful buffet lunch at the local fisherman's house.

You'll then head back towards Puno, stopping along the way to visit the amazing Islands of the Uros people. The islands have been created entirely from the buoyant totora reeds that grow abundantly in the shallows of the lake and are constantly replenished from the top as they rot from the bottom. You'll drop by the main island and enjoy a brief explanation of the history and lifestyle of the people who have lived here for many years, visit some of their homes to learn about their lifestyle and meet one of the local families to see how they live.

Overnight: Royal Inka Inn Puno or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch





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Day 11 Puno - Lima

Today, at the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the airport in preparation for your flight to Lima.

Upon arrival in Lima, make your own way to the hotel where you can take advantage of the rest of the day to unwind at your leisure before catching a flight to Ecuador tomorrow. The hotel is located nearby inside the airport.

Overnight: Hotel Costa del Sol Wyndham Lima Aeropuerto or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 12 Lima, Peru - Quito, Ecuador

Today, make your own way to the airport for your one-way international flight to Quito, the capital of Ecuador. Upon arrival in Quito, you'll be met by a tour representative and transferred to your accommodation for the evening.

Overnight: Sheraton Quito Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 13 Quito - Baltra - Santa Cruz, the Galapagos

Today you'll be transferred to the airport for the flight to the Island of Baltra in the Galapagos. On arrival, you'll be picked up and transferred to the nearby island of Santa Cruz by crossing the narrow Itabaca channel by ferry and then by car.

Your first stop will be at the "Parte Alta" highlands in Santa Cruz which are lush, green and home to the iconic giant Galapagos tortoises. You'll have the chance to visit a private ranch where you'll enjoy lunch before heading out on a walk in search of the

giant tortoises. You will also see lava tubes which are formed when the surface of a lava stream solidifies but the inside remains liquid and flows out like a river.

Afterwards, you'll continue by private transport to the hotel where you'll meet a local guide who will bring you up to speed on tomorrow's activities.

Overnight: Hotel La Isla or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 14 Academy Bay Tour

Today, after breakfast, you will enjoy a half-day tour of Academy Bay where you can swim and snorkel with sea lions and all kinds of colourful fish. Here you can also see the blue-footed boobies who are resting at the edge of the cliffs. Afterwards, you can climb to a nearby viewpoint and, if you are lucky, you'll see white-tipped reef sharks swimming in the ocean below. You'll then take a walk to 'Playa de los Perros' where many sea iguanas can often be found resting in the sun. You'll find that the enormous cacti, the red colour of the rocks and the turquoise colour of the ocean make for great photo opportunities.

Please note:

- *It's recommended to pack sun protection, a bathing suit, a towel, a camera and comfortable walking shoes for today's tour.*
- *Optional snorkel equipment will be provided free of charge to anyone who wishes to use it.*

Overnight: Hotel La Isla or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch





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Day 15 Santa Cruz - Charles Darwin Research Station - San Cristobal

This morning you'll visit the Charles Darwin Research Station to learn more about many of the endemic species seen in the wild, as well as the ongoing conservation and management efforts on the Galapagos Islands. In the afternoon you will be met and transferred from the hotel to the dock of Santa Cruz from where you will take a boat (approximately 2 hours) to the island of San Cristobal.

Upon arrival at the dock in San Cristobal, you will be transferred to the hotel in the town of Puerto Baquerizo Moreno. Here you will have a meet and greet with another local guide who will explain the rest of your itinerary to you before you can enjoy the remainder of the evening at leisure on this stunning island.

Overnight: Blue Marlin Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 16 Isla Lobos Tour

After breakfast this morning, you will be met and transferred to a dock where you will take a short boat ride to the nearby Isla Lobos. During this boat trip, you will observe a lot of sea life before even setting foot on the island. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour where you will have the chance to observe frigate birds, blue-footed boobies and sea lions that all inhabit the island. Afterwards, you will have time for swimming or snorkelling in the beautiful waters.

You'll then continue onwards to a nearby beach in San Cristobal where you may enjoy an included packed lunch and some time at leisure. The white coral beaches of San Cristobal are great for walking around, relaxing and swimming in the shallow waters before returning to Puerto Baquerizo Moreno.

Overnight: Hotel Blue Marlin or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 17 San Cristobal - Quito

Enjoy free time this morning before transferring to the airport of San Cristobal where you'll take a quick flight back to Ecuador's mainland. Upon arrival in Quito, you will be collected from the airport and transferred to the hotel.

Overnight: Sheraton Quito Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 18 Quito Free Day

Today, enjoy a free day at leisure in Quito or you can choose to participate in an optional tour.

Optional Activity: Pichincha Volcano Cable Car

If you like heights and want to spectacular panoramic view of Quito, the best option is to hop on a cable car. In the traditional cabins, you will be able to admire the whole city and the Pichincha Volcano. After ascending 4,000 meters above sea level in the Teleferico, enjoy a walk in the open air and hike on various trails while enjoying views of the city or climbing the Pichincha Volcano. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Please note:



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- *The weather can change suddenly so it's advisable to wear the appropriate clothing including a windbreaker, non-slip shoes and comfortable clothing that protects against possible rain and cold wind.*
- *This tour includes return hotel transfers and an English-speaking guide.*
- *This tour excludes the cable car fee (approximately \$9 USD per person, subject to changes).*

Overnight: Sheraton Quito Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 19 Quito, Ecuador - Australia (or New Zealand)

Today, at the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the airport in preparation for your return flight to Australia (or New Zealand).

Tour Only Package: Your adventure concludes at the end of the tour. Please make your own arrangements for your onward journey.

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 20 In Transit

Tour Only Package: Day 20 of this itinerary is not included.

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 21 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)

Once arrived in Australia (or New Zealand), make your own onward travel arrangements.

Tour Only Package: Day 21 of this itinerary is not included.

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Immerse yourself in historic Lima with a captivating city tour
- Explore Huaca Pucllana and the UNESCO-listed iconic Plaza Mayor de Lima
- Delve into the treasures of the Larco Museum, a gem of Peruvian culture
- Witness the awe-inspiring majesty of the Andes Mountains
- Discover ancient ruins, vibrant markets and breathtaking landscapes in the Sacred Valley
- Behold the mystical allure of Machu Picchu
- Relax in Aguas Calientes, nestled amidst soothing hot springs
- Uncover the rich history and storied capital of the Inca Empire on a tour of Cusco
- Marvel at architectural wonders like the Temple of the Sun and Sacsayhuamán
- Enjoy time at leisure in enchanting Cusco with vibrant markets beckoning exploration
- Discover the Andean gem of Andahuaylillas, hailed as the "Sistine Chapel of South America"
- Look for Andean fauna including wild alpacas and vicuñas
- Explore the enchanting Uros floating islands, a testament to indigenous ingenuity
- Cruise across the captivating expanse of Lake Titicaca, marvelling at its grandeur
- Step into traditional life on Taquile Island, learning about the art of Andean weaving

FLIGHTS

- Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply (Excludes Tour Only Package)
- One-way internal flight from Lima to Cusco

ACCOMMODATION

- 10 nights of quality 3 and 4-star hotel accommodation

DINING

- 13 meals including daily breakfast

ESSENTIALS

- English-speaking tour guides
- Airline taxes and surcharges
- Museum and archaeological site entrances as per itinerary

TRANSPORT

- Transportation by air-conditioned vehicles
- Round-trip train tickets to Aguas Calientes aboard the Expedition Train
- Round-trip bus ticket from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu

TRANSFERS

- Return airport transfers in Peru (Excludes Tour Only Package)



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Tour Inclusions

ITINERARY 2

All of the inclusions in Itinerary 1, plus the following:

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the highlights of the Galapagos Islands
- Search for Galapagos tortoises in the wild
- Enjoy a tour of Academy Bay in the Galapagos
- Snorkel in Academy Bay amongst sea lions and other wildlife
- Spot sea iguanas on Playa de Los Perros, Santa Cruz
- Learn about endemic species at the Charles Darwin Research Station
- Enjoy a half-day tour of Isla Lobos
- Witness the abundant sea and bird life of the Galapagos Islands
- Enjoy a day at leisure in Quito, the capital city of Ecuador

FLIGHTS

- One-way international flight from Lima, Peru to Quito, Ecuador
- One internal flight in Peru (economy class) from Puno to Lima
- Two internal flights in Ecuador (economy class) from Quito to Baltra, and San Cristobal Island to Quito

ACCOMMODATION

- 8 nights of 3, 4 and 5-star accommodation

DINING

- 11 additional meals including daily breakfast

ESSENTIALS

- English-speaking tour leaders and guides
- Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

- Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles
- Shared boats in between the islands

TRANSFERS

- Airport transfers in Ecuador

Important Information

**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

Booking Information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer, you are bound by the [General Terms and Conditions](#) and the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation & Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

- **we act as your booking agent:** TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the

Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- **each booking is unique:** our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.
- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible:** once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.
- **Travel Offers are a package:** our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.
- **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable:** in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please click [here](#).

General Terms & Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our [Terms & Conditions](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Cancellation Policy](#).

Offer Essentials

This travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 23rd October 2026.

This travel offer is priced per person based

on a twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies.

Standard Itinerary: \$720

Extension Itinerary: \$2,020

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Flights

Flight information for options excluding Tour Only Package

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Departure Cities

Melbourne, *Sydney, *Brisbane, *Adelaide, *Perth or *Auckland.

Departure City Surcharges

- Sydney & Auckland: \$200 per person.
- Brisbane & Adelaide: \$300 per person.
- Perth: \$500 per person.

International Full-Service Airline(s)

- Cabin Class: Economy Class.

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for any of the flights included in your package, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

[Arrive Early](#)

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Lima, Peru - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

Puno, Peru - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Quito, Ecuador - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

Exclusions:

This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

● **Internal Flights:**

If you select to Arrive Early or Stay Behind in a city other than the one where the tour starts or ends, the package will include an internal flight to your destination. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly team at the time of purchase. Please note that the cost does not change when you choose to forfeit your connecting flight.

Cancellations & Changes:

Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

High-Season:

A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

+ 60 days:

You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.

Estimated dates:

Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for

all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.

- High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

16 June 2025 - 20 July 2025

15 September 2025 - 12 October 2025

1 December 2025 - 31 January 2026

3 April 2026 - 20 April 2026

26 June 2026 - 17 July 2026

18 September 2026 - 9 October 2026

12 December 2026 - 26 January 2027

Stopover Packages

- Santiago

Twin share: \$800 per person/one-way.

Solo Traveller: \$1,299 one way.

Includes:

- 2 nights in 4-star accommodation.
- Daily breakfast.
- Return airport transfers.

Please note:

- *When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.*
- *When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.*
- *When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.*
- *Stopover packages are subject to availability.*
- *In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.*

Flight Class Upgrades

Business Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- *Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).*

- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*

Internal Airline(s)

- Cabin Class: Economy Class.

Routes

- Lima to Cusco
- Juliaca (Puno) to Lima.
- Quito to Baltra (Itinerary 2 only).
- San Cristobal to Quito (Itinerary 2 only).

Domestic Flight Information

Baggage allowance per person:

- One 23-kilogram of checked baggage.
- One 7-kilogram of carry-on baggage.

Please note: If purchasing the Tour Only Package, internal airfares within your tour are still included.

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- Your holiday may be shorter, as travel days for flights are not included in the Tour Only Package.
- The Tour Only Package does not include return international airfares or airport transfers.
- You will need to arrange your own transportation to the accommodation at the start of the tour.
- At the conclusion of the tour, you will be responsible for booking your own onward travel.
- We strongly advise against booking any pre or post-tour travel arrangements until TripADeal confirms that the tour has met the required number of travelers. If you choose to book before confirmation, we recommend opting for refundable reservations or having backup plans in case the tour does not proceed.

[Click here for full Tour Only Terms and Conditions \(see section 4.1\)](#)

Accommodation

Accommodation Used

4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Lima, Peru: Jose Antonio Executive or similar.

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- Aguas Calientes, Peru: Hatun Inti or similar.

3-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Cusco, Peru: Royal Inka II or similar.
- Puno, Peru: Royal Inka Inn Puno or similar.
- Ollantaytambo: Pakaritampu Hotel or similar.

Extension Itinerary: 5-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Quito, Ecuador: Sheraton Quito Hotel or similar.

Extension Itinerary: 4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Lima, Peru: Hotel Estelar Miraflores or similar.
- Santa Cruz, Galapagos: Hotel La Isla or similar.

Extension Itinerary: 3-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- San Cristobal, Galapagos: Blue Marlin Hotel or similar.

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Child Policy

- No child discounts. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double bedding (subject to availability).

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Minimum group size 20, maximum group size 30 per vehicle.

Optional Tours / Activities

- Day 4 or Day 8: Folklore Show and Dinner - \$50 per person.
- Day 4 or Day 8: Rainbow Mountain Trek - \$180 per person.
- Day 6: Express Inca Trail Trek - \$620 per person.
- Day 18 (Itinerary 2 Only): Pichincha Volcano Cable Car - \$95 per person.

Please note:

- *Prices are based per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions.*
- *The optional tours listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone before submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability).*
- *Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.*

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Recommended gratuities/tipping
- Recommended activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance

- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation
- Mandatory city tax

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- INGALA Transit Control Card (Galapagos) - \$20 USD per person (subject to change).
- National Park Entrance Fee (Galapagos) - \$200 USD per person (subject to change).
- Wetsuit for rent USD \$10 per person (subject to change).

Please note: Return international flights and transfers to and from the tour are not included in the Tour Only Package.

Other Important Information

INGALA TRANSIT CONTROL CARD (GALAPAGOS)

INGALA, the Ecuadorian governmental agency that regulates all things pertaining to the Galapagos Islands issues a "Transit Control Card". This card is designed to help control immigration to the islands. INGALA has instituted the transit control card to help keep track of who is visiting the islands. Visitors must purchase a Transit Control Card (approx \$20 USD per person) from the designated booth in the airport before they board their flight. The card is returned at the end of the trip.

Please note: This fee is subject to change.

NATIONAL PARK ENTRANCE FEES (GALAPAGOS)

All tourists visiting the Galapagos Islands must pay an entry tax to visit the archipelago. The amount of this entrance fee depends on the age and nationality of the tourist. Most foreign tourists including Australians over the age of 12 pay \$200 USD per person. For some, this entry tax may seem a bit high, but it is important to keep in mind that these fees are helping to protect the wonderful islands. On its website, the Galapagos National Park announces that, "Funds from the entry tax for tourists are used to finance the conservation of biodiversity of flora and

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fauna, terrestrial and marine, and benefits the local community by improving basic services, education projects, sports, health, environmental sanitation, environmental services and services directly related to tourists."

Please note: This fee is subject to change.

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Lima

Lima is usually described as mild and warm throughout the year without much

noteworthy rain, making Lima one of the driest capitals in the world. The average temperatures range from 18°C to 28°C.

Cusco

Cusco, located in the Andes Mountains of Peru, has a highland climate with distinct dry and wet seasons. The city's elevation, approximately 3,400 metres (11,200 feet) above sea level, contributes to its cooler temperatures.

Dry Season (May to October)

This period is considered winter in Cusco and is characterised by dry and sunny weather. Days are generally clear, and temperatures can range from around 10°C to 20°C (50°F to 68°F). However, nights can be quite chilly, with temperatures dropping to around 0°C (32°F).

Wet Season (November to April)

Cusco's wet season coincides with the summer months. During this time, there is a higher chance of rainfall, and the weather can be more unpredictable. Daytime temperatures are still mild, ranging from 12°C to 18°C (54°F to 64°F), but nights are relatively milder compared to the dry season.

It's important to note that due to its high altitude, Cusco's weather can vary significantly throughout the day. Visitors are advised to bring layers, including warm clothing for cooler evenings and mornings, as well as sun protection for the strong mountain sun during the day.

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Quito

In Quito, the climate is warm and temperate. There is a great deal of rainfall in Quito, even in the driest month. The average annual temperature is 13.9°C. With an average of 14.1°C, May is the warmest month. The lowest average temperature in the year occurs in June when it is around 13.6°C.

Santa Cruz (Galapagos)

No time of year is too hot or too cold to

enjoy the Galapagos, but the climate is not exactly the same throughout. June through December are considered the cooler months in terms of both the air and water. This is also the time of the dry season, where the highlands of the major islands are kept lush but the beaches and flatlands receive very little rain. Blue skies interrupted by sparse and sporadic afternoon showers are the norm.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 45 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

COACH TOUR

Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the

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uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Fitness Level Required

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind, your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun! A moderate level of fitness will be required. Expect a moderate pace of touring with a focus on guided tours that may include full days with extended activity, guided city tours or nature walks. You will require a general level of fitness for unassisted navigation of stairs and inclines, longer distances with possible periods of standing when visiting sites, walking on sloping, uneven ground or elevations. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance.

Please note: Many areas may be inaccessible to wheelchairs or mobility scooters, where the unassisted use of personal walking sticks and other aids may be required. Although some assistance may be available, every traveller should be self-reliant during all aspects of their travel.

If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

High Altitude Illness

Altitude illness occurs when there is a lack of oxygen in the air at high altitudes. Altitude illness will affect some travellers, with no apparent regard to age, gender or physical condition. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Please note: Inoculations may be required to enter the country visited, along with re-entry into Australia after your visit. It is your responsibility to consult with your travel doctor for up-to-date medical travel information well before departure.

Rainbow Mountain Trek: Active

Some high-altitude trekking, off-road biking or high-grade kayaking. More

strenuous activities, suitable for a good fitness level and for guests who exercise regularly. More fast-paced activities and walking on uneven surfaces.

Express Inca Trail Trek: Active

- Duration: Full Day.
- Fitness Level Required: Active/Demanding.

Active/demanding are more strenuous activities, suitable for a good fitness level and for guests who exercise regularly. More fast-paced activities and walking on uneven surfaces.

A high fitness level is required to undertake activities, which include high-altitude trekking for anywhere between four to seven hours per day for an extended number of days. Recommended for active travellers with some previous trekking experience.

Yellow Fever

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in Ecuador and many other countries. You will need to be vaccinated against Yellow Fever 10 days prior to arriving in Ecuador if you have visited Colombia, Peru, Brazil, or Bolivia and have spent more than 10 days in any of these countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate upon arrival. You must check with your doctor well before leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Gratuities/Tipping

Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is \$10 USD per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion;

however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Sightseeing

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts. Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our [Terms and Conditions](#) regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

New Zealand (Transiting)

If you do not hold an Australian passport you may be required to obtain a transit visa. Some flight routes make a stop in New Zealand and you may be required to obtain a transit visa to board your flight. It is the passengers' sole responsibility to seek advice on the correct visa and take appropriate action to ensure they have the correct visa prior to departure. Failure to do so may result in denied boarding and or refusal of entry to the country by the local authorities and immigration department. We strongly advise you to carefully review your flight tickets and then contact your respective consulate or a visa agency to confirm the necessary visa regulations and acceptable forms of personal identification for your transit.

Peru

Important Information

Tourists don't need a visa. You can get a permit to stay for up to 3 months when you arrive. You may need a valid yellow fever vaccination certificate to enter Peru. Some airlines may want to see one when you leave. If you've visited Peru in the previous 6 days, you'll need a valid certificate to enter Australia. Find out about returning to Australia after exposure to yellow fever.

Ecuador (Itinerary 2 Only)

Tourist visas for Peru and Ecuador are not required if travelling on an Australian Passport.

Please note: Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required. It is also important to note, some areas of employment such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations may have additional restrictions in applying for Visas. This may in turn affect the type of application required.

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Chile (Transiting)

If your travel includes transiting through Chile, you should contact the nearest Embassy or Consulate of Chile to confirm if you'll need a visa. If you transit in Chile

without a visa and miss your connecting flight, you won't be able to pass the immigration point. You'll be required to remain airside and not leave the airport until a new onward flight has been arranged. Australians have previously been required to remain airside for several days due to missed flight connections. For more information regarding visa requirements for Chile please visit <https://www.consulado.gob.cl/servicios/e-visa-para-australia>

United States (Transiting)

If travelling on an Australian passport, an ESTA (visa waiver) for the USA is a strict requirement when travelling to or flying through the USA. Once a USA ESTA visa waiver is issued it is valid for 2 years or until your passport expires (whichever is sooner) and will allow multiple entries into the USA. For information on ESTA eligibility or to apply, please visit: <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/>

Please note: Due to recent changes to USA immigration policies, TripADeal recommends all travellers visit US Customs & Border Protection.

Important:

- *Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.*
- *Visa rules may have changed since Covid-19. Some countries and airlines may require you to obtain an additional visa before arrival. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination you're entering.*

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Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance>

Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/

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accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.